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Practical Public Ownership.

THE RECORD is indebted to Manager F. E. Day for a copy of the annual report of the Borough of Madison, Departments of Water and Light, just published. It is the first official report of this department. We make some extracts.

"The report on water shows a consumption of 7,213,948 gallons, and allowing, say 1,400 consumers, is an excess of 50 gallons per capita, and taking the estimates of experts at 40 per day per capita, and also into account the time of the year, shows considerable waste. This could be remedied by the use of meters only, and while the initial cost would be of some moment, I cannot but believe that it would pay for itself in the end. I find that it is recommended and in use in a great many cities.

"No one will deny that water is as free as air and so far as nature made it, it is so. But when it is furnished in a certain way and delivered at a certain point and at all times, it then becomes to that extent an artificialty—it is not nature—and it costs money. The charge for water, taking into consideration the cost of delivery and the charge made by other places situated as is the Borough, is more than reasonable—it is cheap. The charge for electric current is the lowest in the United States.

"Questions are being asked relating to the danger from wires and current entering the house. There is absolutely none, the primary or main current being reduced before entering the building, and at the most only a slight shock would be felt. Or, to put it in technical language, the current is reduced from 1040 to 52 volts. As it takes more than 1040 volts to kill a human being, surely 52 volts cannot be dangerous.

"Some point should be fixed upon as to what is just in the credit to be given for fire protection and by the hydrants, and similarly respecting lighting of the streets. The time [illegible] will come when these [illegible] will receive an [illegible] tributing [illegible] forestall [illegible] is done [illegible] the time [illegible]

In Ro[illegible] burn, d[illegible] strict[illegible] [illegible] every item of expense [illegible] for the Borough water [illegible]ce. But no one of a rea[illegible]le mind expects such to be the [illegible]e in the establishment of a new [illegible]ant. Presuming these to be logical conclusions, I would say that I have examined a list of some 1,500 plants and find that the lowest charge for hydrant rental is $25 per annum, and it is but just that a credit be given for that amount. Respecting light I have before me the directory above referred to, and find that the lowest charge for any 30 candle-power lamp and run by any town or company similar to our own is $15 per year."

For [illegible]field, the water question [illegible] an issue, a contract hav[illegible] made for the next eight [illegible]But in regard to electric [illegible]e experience of Madison, [illegible] the public, may be of [illegible]mmittee and citizens.

[illegible]e quarter were	$2601.20
[illegible]s were	1721.62
	879.58
[illegible]onths interest,	472.06
Net p[illegible] [illegible]arter,	$407.52

Or [illegible] for the entire year. Add to this [illegible] profit made on her water works, and Madison's profit for the year on the combined plants foots up $3,248.16.

And yet, in the face of such demonstrations of practical and profitable public ownership in other towns, those who advocate the same for Bloomfield have been misrepresented and sneered at.

But no sooner has the water question been taken out of the control of the township, we find in the columns of the paper that was used to defeat a town water supply a prospectus of a private company soliciting subscriptions of stock for a company to supply electric lights and power. No better vindication than this is needed that those who advocated town ownership were right in claiming that a profit could be made. The corporationists know there is a good field of operation for them in Bloomfield to establish electric lights and furnish power, and are moving already in the direction of a scheme [illegible] this kind, though the names of [illegible] back of it have not yet ap[illegible]

[illegible] prayer" said in THE [illegible] February 10, [illegible] for stock [illegible]ow with [illegible] has been wanting [illegible] said: [illegible] rather late in the [illegible] experience of a lifetime a [illegible]

night? When towns and cities all over our country are taking these matters into their own hands, why should we let others do what we can do for ourselves? Municipalities should cease to deal out valuable franchises to individuals or corporations and should conduct such enterprises to effect public comfort and convenience for the benefit of the whole people. American citizens are far behind those of other countries in such matters and the public service is correspondingly less satisfactory and more expensive.

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE.

The Township Committee met on Monday afternoon. Every member was present.

The Road Committee, Mr. Fisher, Chairman, reported progress with the work of making dirt road repairs, and recommended an inspection of the streets by the whole Committee for the purpose of selecting streets to be macadamized this season. Saturday afternoon was fixed upon as the time for such inspection.

The Water Committee was authorized to remove the hydrant used by the watering carts now located on Broad Street in front of Louis J. Meusel's drug store. It will be placed in Belleville Avenue near Broad Street.

The Police Committee asked for an appropriation to provide wire screens for the station house and supply store, which was granted.

The Fire Committee recommended the confirmation of appointments by the Chief Engineer for Assistant Engineers, as follows: Bernard Higgins, John J. Weden and Wm. R. Rawson. They were confirmed.

The same Committee recommended that an inspection of the Fire Department be made on Decoration Day, May 30th, and that an appropriation of $75 for expenses of same be made, which was granted.

The Committee on Law and Franchises reported that the oaths and bonds of appointed officials were satisfactory, and they were accepted.

The Committee on Maps and Surveys reported unfavorably upon the request to change the name of Bassinger Street to Chestnut Street, as there was a street of the same name in Montclair that would in time be extended into Bloomfield. The Committee recommended that the street in question be named Essex Avenue, and the recommendation was, with the approval of property owners, adopted.

The Suburban Traction Company, represented by Mr. Childs, submitted a draft of an ordinance covering [illegible] street car line to the trolley system. The ordinance is substantially the same as that agreed upon by the Company and the Township Committee of last year. The financial crisis and the delay in getting the road through the Oranges caused a postponement of pushing the improvement through Bloomfield. Mr. Childs said that to equip the line through Bloomfield as far north as Bay Avenue would cost the Company $30,000. The work would be done to the satisfaction of the Committee, life-saving appliances of the best sort would be provided, the cars would be run at present under 15 minute headway, the fare would be five cents with transfers over all lines operated by the Suburban Company without extra fare. The work of re-building the road would commence at once and be completed within a limit of nine months. The compensation to the township for the franchise would be the same as previously agreed upon.

After the contract had been read Mr. Powers said that it was the desire of the Committee as well as of the citizens that the road should be extended above Bay Avenue to Brookdale.

Mr. Childs said it would be impossible to do it at the present time for financial reasons.

Committeeman Fisher said there was another company looking for a franchise to build an electric road through Bloomfield by way of Brookdale, and perhaps it might be advisable to wait and hear from that source.

A motion was made by Mr. Gilbert and adopted, to refer Mr. Childs' request to the Committee on Law and Franchises, and that type-written copies of the contract be obtained for the Committee.

A petition numerously signed was read, asking to have Mechanic Street opened and graded as soon as practicable. In the consideration of this matter, that of the erection of a platform scale on the street, referred to Town Counsel, Wm. S. Dodd, last week, came up for consideration. The opinion of the Counsel was adverse to the right of the Committee to grant any permanent encroachment upon the public highways by private individuals or corporations.

The petition for opening the street was referred to the Road Committee with instructions to ascertain and report the cost of grading, etc.

Petition for a crosswalk on [illegible] to the west side [illegible]

Mr. Pilger advocated this petition and followed it up by scoring the Township authorities in a general way for not making sidewalk improvements satisfactory to the citizens he represented.

Chairman Upson asked the complainant for a bill of particulars, and he mentioned a cinder walk that was left in a very rough and incomplete state.

A petition was received for macadamizing Orchard Street its entire length.

An invitation for the Committee to attend the memorial exercises to be held by Pierson Post, G. A. R., was accepted with thanks.

The ordinance relating to salaries was taken up on second reading, when Mr. Powers moved to amend it by increasing the salary of the Assessor of the Third Ward from $400 to $500 the reason being that there was more work required to be done in that Ward than in the others.

Mr. Gilbert said it was a matter that should be looked into carefully. The Committee would get themselves into trouble by making this change. It would establish a bad precedent.

Mr. Powers withdrew his motion to make a new one, that $1200 be apportioned among the three Assessors according to the amount of work each had to do.

Mr. Gilbert offered an amendment that the ordinance be adopted as read.

A vote taken on the motion made by Mr. Powers was lost, and the amendment making the salaries equal in each Ward was carried.

The Collector was by resolution authorized to have a warrant issued providing for the advertisement and sale of the property of delinquent taxpayers for 1892.

After the auditing and passing of a number of bills, the Health Board met. The only business done was to consider the case of Gustav Bruett, who had been fined $50 for violating the health ordinance in the dumping of the contents of cesspools within the township. The board declined to remit the fine, by advice of Counsel. Mr. Bruett said he would make an appeal to the County Court.

The Essex and Hudson County Freeholder bill became a law on Wednesday. The new law provides for the election next November of one Freeholder from each ward in cities of the first class, two Freeholders-at-large from cities of the second class, two Freeholders-at-large from Townships having a population of [illegible],000, and one Freeholder from [illegible] ship having a population of less than 10,000. Vacancies in the board are to be filled by the governing bodies of cities and towns from which the vacancy occurs. The terms of the new Freeholders are to be two years; the compensation is to be $500 per annum. The Director, who is to be chosen by the board, is to receive $1000 salary. The present Freeholders are to remain in office until the second day of December. Just how many members will constitute the Board of Freeholders of Essex County after the second of December cannot be determined now. Before the next election Newark may consist of fifteen wards.

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Chesnut Hill—5:26, 6:24, 7:02, 7:27, 8:08 9:45, 10:08, ♯12:22, 2.39, ♯3:36, 4:35, 5:24, 9:25 11.19.
Sunday; 7:27, 8:57, 2:25, ♯6:56, 8:51;
Belleville Ave.—5:28, 6:27, 7:05, 7:30, 7:52 8:11, 8:47, 10:11, 12:24, 2:42, 3:38, 4:38, 5:27, 6:54, 9:27, 11:21.
Sunday; 7:30, 9:00, 2:28, 6:59, 8:54.
Orchard Street—5:30, ♯6:29, 7:07, 7:54, 10:13, 12:26, 2:44, 3:40, 4:40, 5:30, 9:29, 11:23.
Sunday; ♯7:32, 9:02, 2:30, ♯7:01, 8:56.

FROM NEW YORK.

Chambers Street—6:10, 8:00, 9.00, 10.30, 12:00, 1:30, 3.15, 4:15, 5:00, 5:37, 6:00, 6:22, 7.00, 8:15, 10:00, 12:00.
Sunday; 9:00, 12.30, 4:30, 7:30, 10:30
23rd Street—5:55, 7:55, 8:55, 10:25, 11:55, 1:25, 3:10, 4:10, 4:55, 5:25, 5:55, 6:10, 6:55, 7:55, 9:55, 11:55.
Sunday; 8:55, 12:25, 4:25, 7:25, 10:25.

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Leave Glen-Ridge—5.54 6.15 6.50 7.08 7.39 8.15 8.30 9.14 10.27 11.37 12.48 A. M. 1.43 2.43 4.07 4.41 5.19 5.48 6.33 7.09 8.09 9.19 9.38 12.06 1.06 A. M.
Leave Bloomfield—5.56 6.17 6.52 7.10 7.41 8.38 9.16 10.29 11.39 A. M. 12.50 1.45 2.45 4.43 5.21 5.50 6.35 7.04 8.11 9.15 9.40 12.08 1.04 A. M.
Leave Watsessing—5.58 6.19 6.54 7.12 7.43 9.18 10.31 11.41 A. M. 12.52 1.48 2.48 5.23 5.52 6.37 7.06 8.13 9.17 9.42 1.06 A. M.

FROM NEW YORK.

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7:10 7:42 8:33 9:38 4:18 5:13 5:44 11:21 P.M. 12:38

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PARK METHODIST EPISCOPAL.—Rev. R. [illegible] Aylsworth, pastor.—Preaching at 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Sunday School at noon. Epworth League prayer meeting at 6.30 P. M. Tuesday evening, meeting of the classes. Thursday evening, worship with the Evangelical Union [illegible] its annual meeting in the First Presbyterian Church. Sunday morning discourse, "[illegible] mination makes Success." Sunday evening sermon, "God in Business."

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.—Rev. Edw. White, Rector.—Celebration of the Holy Communion at 8 A. M. Morning Prayer, Litany and Sermon at 10.30 A. M. Sunday School at 3 P. M. Evening Prayer with Sermon at 7.30 P. M.

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. Geo. A. Paull, pastor.—Services at 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Sunday School at noon. Young People's Prayer Meeting at 6.45 P. M. All are welcome.

GERMAN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. Rev. W. Seibert, Ph. D., pastor.—Services at 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Sunday School at 2.15 P. M. Young Men's Christian Association, Thursday at 8 P. M. Young People's Society, Friday at 8 P. M.

WATSESSING METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH—Rev. C. C. Winans, pastor.—Services at 10.30 A. M. and 7.45 P. M. Sunday School at 2.30 P. M. Epworth League 6.30 P. M.

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Proposals for Crosswalk Construction.

SEALED PROPOSALS are solicited for the construction in places to be designated, [illegible] or more crosswalks to be formed of [illegible] one, two feet wide and four inches thick, [illegible] cobble stone pavement one and one-half [illegible] wide on each side; the whole to be [illegible] bedded in sand and finished to the satisfaction of the Sidewalk Committee. Proposals to be submitted to the Sidewalk Committee on Monday at 3 P. M., May 21, 1894. The Committee reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

JOHN A. LAWRENCE,
Chairman Sidewalk Committee.
BLOOMFIELD, N. J., May 7, 1894.

Proposals for Broken Stone.

SEALED PROPOSALS are hereby solicited for broken stone, delivered at points in the township as requested by the Road Committee. These proposals must state the price per ton of 2,240 lbs. The Committee reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Proposals for Construction of Broken Stone Roadway.

SEALED PROPOSALS are hereby solicited for the construction of Broken Stone Roadway in the Township; said roadway to be [illegible] wide, and four, six, eight or ten inches in depth. The proposals for the construction of the roadway to include all excavation necessary for the road bed, price to be also given for [illegible] yard for removing any surplus earth. The work and materials subject to the approval of the Road Committee, and where extra broken stone has to be done, and the earth is used for packing, no charge is to be made for same. Specifications furnished on application at this office. If this advertisement conflicts with the specifications, the specifications will be followed. Bidders must not deviate from the specifications. The Committee will be the sole judge of the quality of the stone furnished, and if the specifications are not complied with, the contract will be annulled. The Committee reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

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